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SUBJ: AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK-SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
RESERVATIONS

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1. WE ARE VERY CONCERNED AT POSSIBILITY THAT GRANT FUNDS TO
AFDB MIGHT BE CUT OFF BECUASE OF SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
INTERPRETATION OF THIS AS SOMETHING WHICH SHOULD BE DONE
THROUGH IFI APPROPRIATIONS. WHILE WE ARE ALL PULLING FOR
U.S. MEMBERSHIP IN AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT FUND, AND HAVE BEEN
FOR SEVERAL FRUSTRATING YEARS, THE BONA FIDES OF OUR
INTERET IN THE INSTITUTION HAVE CONTINUED TO BE PRACTICALLY
MANIFESTED BY GRANT ASSISTANCE FOR FREASIBILITY STIDIES AND
STAFF POSITIONS. WERE THIS TO DRY UP, PARTICULARLY BEFORE
WE WERE ABLE TO JOIN FUND, BUT EVEN THEREAFTER SINCE IT
SERVES A VERY DIFFERENT AND HIGHLY USEFUL PURPOSE, U.S.
GOOD FAITH AND PROMISES WOULD BE VITIATED.

2. VERY MUCH HOPE THAT THIS ISSUE CAN BE SETTLED SUCCESS-
FULLY BEFORE ANY HIGH LEVEL AMERICAN VISITOR CAL ON
SENIOR BANK OFFICIALS.
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